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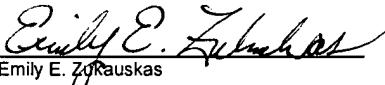
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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicant has not submitted copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicant submits herewith copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed search report from a corresponding International or Foreign National Application.

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The Examiner is advised that the following co-pending applications contain subject matter that may be related to the present application. By bringing these applications to the Examiner's attention, Applicant does not waive the confidentiality provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122.

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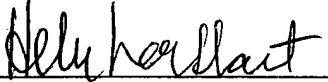
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